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WEATHER FORECAST  
FAIR.  
Barometer 29.95.

October 29th, 1912, Temperature a.m. 79, p.m. 83; Humidity...54, 57.

October 29th, 1911, Temperature a.m. 75, p.m. 74; Humidity...73, 73.

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九月廿一

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1912.

三月三十

英德香港

THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY  
SIXTY YEARS OF CHINA.

## THE WAR IN THE BALKANS.

### ON THE EVE OF A DECIDING BATTLE.

#### ALLIED FORCES HEMMING IN THE TURKISH TROOPS.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, October 20.  
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople says the Government is straining every nerve to secure a striking success in the coming big battle with the Bulgarians, which is expected to decide the war.

#### SIGNIFICANT APPOINTMENT.

The appointment of the ex-Grand Vizier Hussein Hilmi as Ambassador to Vienna is considered significant in view of a post-war settlement. He will be accompanied by Fahredin Bey, one of the peace delegates to Bucharest. Hence it may be regarded as a special mission.

#### ROUMANIAN PRECAUTIONS.

Reuter's correspondent at Bucharest says that though the rumour that the Roumanian Army is mobilising is officially denied, the Ministry has decided to set aside large credits for Army purposes in case mobilisation is necessary.

#### BULGARIAN ADVANCE.

The "Reichspost" (Vienna) states that the Bulgarians have made steady progress against the Turkish field army, and have blown up a railway bridge over the river Tchirli, between Laleburgas and Constantinople.

#### MONTENEGRIN SUCCESS.

The Montenegrins yesterday took Plevlja in Novobazar.

#### EX-SULTAN ARRIVES.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid arrived last evening. Great secrecy was observed regarding his movements and he was conducted to one of the Bosphorus Palaces.

#### TURKS DEMORALISED.

Part of the Turkish garrison at Adrianople has retreated to Dimitrova, and the remainder are already cut off. They are demoralised, and have sustained heavy losses, a whole regiment surrendering in the last sortie.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Sofia says that the Bulgarians have captured Kresna Pass, in the Struma Valley.

The Bulgarians have occupied Bunaishor, whither the Turks had retired from Kirk Kiliseh.

#### DECISIVE BATTLE EXPECTED.

A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the Minister for War has telegraphed that he is most satisfied with the position of the Turkish forces. He expects a decisive battle two days hence.

#### SERVIAN CAPTURES.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade says that at Uskub, the Turks were terror-stricken and abandoned 98 field guns and 18 Howitzers. The Servians pursued them toward the south-east, occupying along the way various towns which displayed the white flag.

Another Servian Army captured 15 quick-fires, 4,000 rifles, and great quantities of ammunition at Kerizovitch, together with 1,000 arrears. (?)

The Servian Army have taken Mitrovica and other important towns on the railway to Uskub, all neighbouring towns surrendered. They have thus gained control of the entire railway converging at Uskub.

It is officially announced in Belgrade that the Turkish Army which was retreating from Uskub, has surrendered. The Servians subsequently captured 100 guns,

#### TELEGRAMS.

##### THE WAR.

###### ATTITUDE OF THE POWERS.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, October 20.

Reuter's correspondent at Vienna reports that the Premier, speaking in the Reichsrath, emphasised Austria's peaceful policy and stated that she was working in agreement with the Powers and would use her influence at the proper moment to assist towards the early termination of the conflict.—(Cheers). He referred to the widely expressed wish for peace under any circumstances, and said Austria's policy was not aggressive, but no European Power could adopt a policy of peace at any price, however peacefully intentioned it might be.

Reuter learns that the Powers are energetically conducting pourparlers with a view to ascertaining the opinions of the different Governments regarding eventual intervention in the Balkans. The point of emphasis is that although the military operations have so greatly changed the aspect of affairs, the policy of the Powers regarding united action remains unaltered. They are working in complete harmony, but naturally a final decision regarding intervention is impossible until a decisive action has been fought.

RETIRED IN DISORDER.

Later.

The junction of the Servians and the Bulgarians at Istip followed on the Servian occupation of Kuprili, whence the Turks again retired in disorder.

UNCONFIRMED REPORTS.

Reuter's correspondent at Sofia wires unconfirmed reports that the Bulgarian cavalry have cut the communications between Adrianople and Constantinople, and that they also captured Luleburgas and Demotika.

It is believed that the Turks are constructing earthworks on the river Ergene to the West of Babakski, with the intention of making a stand.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Reuter's correspondent at Vienna states that the British Minister and the Montenegrin Foreign Minister have arrived from Cetinje and had a long audience with King Peter.

The Bulgarian General Paprikoff has arrived at the Montenegrin headquarters.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES.

##### THE TURF.

###### LONDON, OCTOBER 20.

The probable starters and jockeys for the Cambridgeshire Stakes, to be run at Newmarket to-morrow over a distance of one mile one furlong, are:

Whisk Broom, (Maher).  
Long Set, (Higgs).  
Eton Boy, (Higgs).  
Maiden Erleigh, (Wootton).  
Mustapha, (Robbins).  
Manwulf, (Wheatley).  
Linen Chest, (Walter Griggs).  
Bracepath, (Clark).  
Grampton, (Doughue).  
Adam Bede, (Tay).  
Bohemian, (Sharp).  
Sabieki, (Whalley).  
Wise Symon, (Dowler).  
Hamerton, (Herbert).  
Modred, (Ringstead).  
Kinsella, (Watson).  
Drummore, (W. Huxley).  
Oliver Goldsmith, (Smyth).  
Saucy Vixen, (Buckley).  
Bryony, (Cooper).  
Outram, (J. Marsh).

THE TURKISH REPORT.

Nazim Pasha telegraphs that the Bulgarians lost so severely at Kirk Kiliseh that they have been unable to resume the offensive.

The Turkish forces, on the other hand, have gained in strength and numbers and are confidently awaiting a decisive battle.

COMBINED MOVEMENTS.

The combined movements of the Greek, Servian and Bulgarian Armies is now attracting attention.

The Greek occupation of the Tripolana defiles makes the capture of Verria certain.

Simultaneously the two Bulgarian Western Armies are advancing down the valleys of Struma and Mesta towards their objective, Seres, upon the trunk railway connecting Thrace with Macedonia; and the Servians are pursuing their victorious march from Kuprili southwards along the Vardar valley.

These combined movements mean the encircling of the whole of the Turkish forces in Macedonia, preventing them from being reinforced by Nazim Pasha's army from Thrace.

THE GREECAN ADVANCE.

Later.

Jaeger scratchet at 9 o'clock to-day.

#### CHINESE LOANS.

##### BRITAIN'S FIRM STAND.

London, October 20.

Answering a series of questions, in the House of Commons, about the Chinese loan, Mr. F. D. Acland said the Imperial Government regards the negotiations between China and the Sextuple Group as being merely in abeyance and is not prepared to support other parties desiring to lend money to China. Papers regarding the Sextuple negotiations will be laid on the table to-morrow.

The Sextuple Group, he added, holds that the Chinese are still bound by the agreement which was concluded on the 9th of March, and re-affirmed on the 17th of May.

THE GREECAN ADVANCE.

Later.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the Greeks have captured the Tripolana defiles, the key to Verria, the capture of which is imminent.

#### TELEGRAMS.

##### ALARMIST SPEECHES.

###### LORD ROBERTS REPROVED.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, October 20.

During question-time in the House of Commons, Mrs. J. H. Whitehouse, Liberal M.P., for Mid. Lancashire, asked if Germany had made any representations regarding a recent speech delivered by Lord Roberts wherein he discussed the prospects of war with Germany, and urged strenuously the adoption of compulsory service.

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#### TELEGRAMS.

##### CAPT. BRINKLEY DEAD.

###### THE "TIMES" TRIBUTE.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, October 20.

The "Times" publisher of a sympathetic necrology of Captain Brinkley, its late correspondent at Tokyo.

[The late Capt. Frank Brinkley was one of the best-known journalists in the Far East, living for many years in Tokyo, and since 1881 been proprietor and editor of the "Japan Mail." Formerly he commanded the "Royal Artillery" in Japan, and in 1871 he became Principal Instructor at the Marine Artillery College in Tokyo. Later he was appointed Professor of Mathematics at the Imperial Engineering College in the Japanese capital, and subsequently devoted himself wholly to journalism. He was a forcible writer and a gifted scholar, and among his works was a remarkably complete Anglo-English Dictionary. The late Emperor conferred on him the Third Class Order of the Rising Sun and Sacred Treasure, and while deceased was in his deathbed the new Emperor honoured him with the Second Order of the Rising Sun. He was 71 years of age.]

#### TELEGRAMS.

##### HOME RULE.

###### LEGISLATIVE INSANITY.

Reuter's [Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, October 20.

The House of Commons defeated the first subsection of Clause 5 of the Home Rule Bill, which provides for Irish control of the Constabulary.

The Opposition vigorously denounced the clause, Mr. Ballfour describing it as "Legislative insanity."

An amendment to delete the clause was rejected by 306 votes to 200.

The remainder of Clause 5 and the whole of Clause 6 were then adopted by the aid of the closure without discussion.

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After his interviews with Col. Sealy and Mr. Churchill, Sir Edward Grey was received in audience by the King.

The House of Commons has passed for its third reading the Bill concerning the validity of mixed marriages in Japan.

The Servians have taken a number of important towns and have gained control of the entire railway converging at Uskub.

The vanguard of the Servian Army has effected a junction with the Bulgarians and entered Istip without sighting the enemy.

Steady progress is being made by the Bulgarians against the Turkish Field Army and they have also captured Kresna Pass.

Linen Chest, Eton Boy and Maiden Erleigh are equal favourites for the Cambridgeshire Stakes to be run at Newmarket to-day.

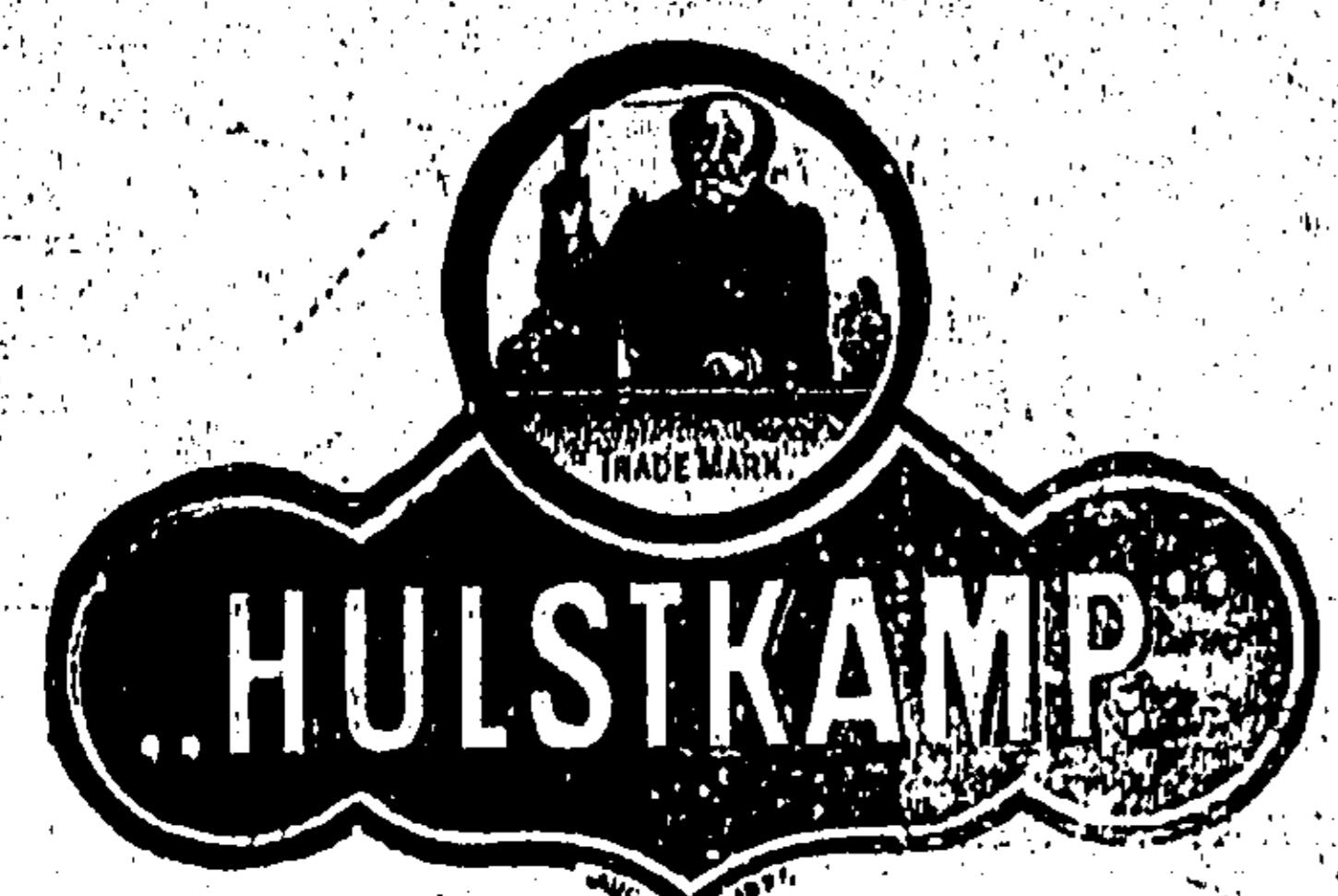
Captain Brinkley, the "Times" correspondent at Tokyo, is dead, and the "Times" devotes a long and sympathetic necrology to him.

Ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid has arrived at Constantinople and been conducted with great ceremony to one of the Bosphorus Palaces.

A man charged with demanding money from a Chinese, by messenger, was sentenced to three months and four days' imprisonment.

He died at the prison this morning.

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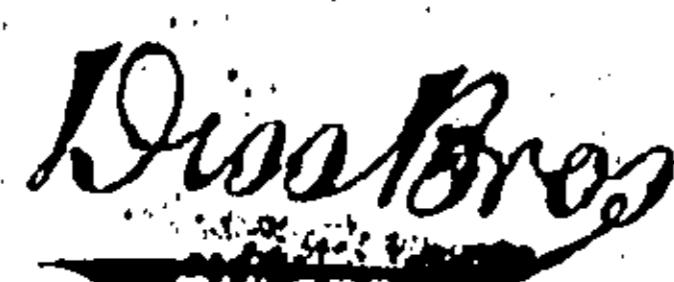
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Hongkong, 25th January, 1912. [46]

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## ALL NEW PICTURES.

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## TIME TABLE.

## WEEK DAYS.

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8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. 10 min.	10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. 15 min.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. 15 min.	12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. 10 min.
1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. 15 min.	2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

## GENERAL NEWS.

**Japanese Ambitions in China.**  
The "Niroku," a Japanese contemporary, wonders why the Tokyo Government remains idle and plays the part of an onlooker in North China. If recent information from Peking can be relied upon, Russia has acquired the privilege of extending the Chinese Eastern Railway to a point in the Pechili Gulf, besides placing Mongolia under her own protection. Great Britain, too, has placed her iron hand upon Tibet, with the apparent intention of severing relations between Tibet and China. As indicated in a recent telegram from Peking, the Chinese in Manchuria have shown a disposition to rely upon Japan for the protection of life and property in that region. And yet the Tokyo authorities hesitate to take any step whatever in that direction.

Pierre Loti in New York.

M. Pierre Loti has arrived in New York in connection with the production of his play, "Daughter of Heaven," at the Century Theatre next month. He at first refused to be interviewed, but later received the reporters, to whom he chatted about his play.

The reporters did not think this was making good local copy, so they began asking questions. What did monsieur think of the skyscrapers? M. Loti smiled, and his answer might be translated as follows:—"Your skyscrapers, so long as they stay in York, exactly fit in with the American atmosphere, but they would be impossible, abominable, in Paris."

A Hongkong Inventor Criticised.

A contributor to the "Bangkok Daily Mail" observes—"I see that a Hongkong gentleman has 'invented' a pair of boats in which to walk on the water. They are, of course, more like boats than boats and the motive power is supplied by the weight placed upon them actuating a lot of slats of wood like louvre boards. But may mention, with all due deference to the Hongkong Chinaman's inventive genius, that I saw just the same idea used in an attempt to walk on Sydney Harbour about 20 years ago. The same thing happened then as happened in Hongkong recently—the walker couldn't walk half a knot an hour!"

The "Independence" of Shanghai.

Celebrations will take place on the 3rd proximo to mark the fall of Shanghai says the "N. China Daily News". The Chinese announcements of this event in some cases mention the foto as celebrating the independence of Shanghai, this evidently being regarded as synonymous with the taking over of the place by the revolutionaries. It does not appear to be quite certain why the 3rd has been fixed for the celebrations, as the fall of the City and taking of the Arsenal happened on the 10th and 11th.

Big Influx of Chinese into Siam.

The Pitamukko and the Sexta which both arrived at Bangkok on the 15th inst. from Swatow brought together the unusually large number of 2,525 deck passengers, the respective totals being 1,285 and 1,240. As they proceeded up the river in a long straggling procession they almost caused a dislocation of the traffic says the "Bangkok Times". Most of the men had their worldly goods in two baskets carried at either end of the pole on their shoulder, and often enough a small son or daughter would be contentedly seated in one of them.

Jews and Mayor Gaynor.

New York, Sept. 20.—Rabbi Stephen S. Wise in the course of his sermons and by open letter has called upon Mayor Gaynor to resign his office. Rabbi Wise holds the mayor responsible for the prevalence of lawless conditions and declares that the executive is also to be charged with the blame for the lax methods of the police department resulting in the scandalous developments of the Rosenthal murder case.

Second Instalment of the Loan.

A Peking telegram to the "Sinwappa" states that the second instalment of the new London Loan payable this month amounts to £1,500,000, of which it is understood, £200,000 will be paid in Shanghai, £270,000 in Tientsin, and £230,000 in Peking. The balance £280,000 will be remitted or paid in London at the end of this month.

## SERVICE MATTERS.

## Tactical Fitness.

The report of the Director of Military Training on the tactical efficiency of our regimental officers is critical reading, says the "Globe." And the remarks apply not to the subalterns and captains, but to the majors. The majority of the former, especially the subalterns, are said to possess but a theoretical knowledge of tactical principles gleaned from textbooks, and little or no capacity for applying those principles with troops in the field. This is unsatisfactory enough, whether due to lack of study or misguided effort, but it becomes more serious when exhibited by majors in their examination for "Tactical Fitness Command," because they are the officers who will soon be responsible for the instruction of their juniors. The percentage of failures among majors is unfortunately very much on the increase.

In December, 1910, it stood at 12.24 and in this year's May examination at the high figure of 38.15. The comments on some of the subalterns' papers certainly do not indicate a very high standard; and, speaking of exercise III., our regimental officers are told that it is time they learned to dissociate themselves from methods which are known to lead to disaster. Their ideas on the subject of mounted reconnaissance are likened to the method of walking up partridges in a turp field.

## R. N. Engineering College.

After being closed for about two years, the Royal Naval Engineering College, Devonport, is being prepared for the first batch of "Lieutenants E." who joined the Navy as cadets under the system of common entry, and will ultimately be required to undergo a course of special training in engineering. The gymnasium connected with the college is being equipped with machinery, under the supervision of Engineer-Capt. C. G. Taylor, who was appointed to the Admiralty last February for this service, and the first course of instruction will commence on October 1, 1913, when the officers who have completed their term of training at sea will be transferred to the college.

## New Naval Airship.

From Rome it is reported that the new Italian dirigible M. 1, a vessel of 11,000 metres cubic capacity, has been so constructed that it can, if necessary, descend and travel on the surface of the water. Experiments carried out on the lines of Bracciano, have given very satisfactory results, and three more airships of identical design are now being built.

Col. Morris in an interview, said the M. 1. had been constructed expressly for operations over the sea.

## A.H.A.L. Oil ship.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from New Orleans dated September 14th says: The first of the Hamburg-American line's new oil burning vessels to arrive here was the Christian X., which reached port yesterday from Hamburg after a successful voyage. The Christian X. is of the new "slackless" type, equipped with Diesel engines using a low grade of petroleum oil. The driving machinery, which is extremely compact, does away with cumbersome coal bunkers, the necessity of many stokers and the delay of cooling.

The Christian X. left Hamburg on July 22, and on her first day, with good weather, made an average of 11.1/2 nautical miles an hour. Later, under heavy weather and storm conditions, her general average for the trip was 11.04 nautical miles an hour. She spent four days in port at Havanna and eight at Vera Cruz, and consumed 710 tons of oil. This is a creditable record for a vessel of this size driven by oil engines; for the Christian X. is 370 feet long by 53 feet beam and loaded, her tonnage is 9,800. She has two heavy duty engines, which can be controlled by a single lever, and reversed from full speed ahead to full speed astern in less than nine seconds.

The exhaust gases, after being cooled, pass out forty-nine feet above the deck through the after mast, which is hollow.

## HOW MANY RUBBER TREES TO THE ACRE?

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## The Changtu Salt Gabelle.

The "Official Gazette" announces that the Chinese Ministry of Finance has issued an order instructing the Commissioner of the Changtu Salt Gabelle to place each month a certain amount of the salt revenue to the credit of the Chartered Bank in order to meet repayments of the Crisp Loan. Liu Yu Lin, the Chinese Minister in London, has been instructed to inform the principal parties interested in London to this effect.

## Lijin in Yunnan.

A Chinese paper states that the annual amount, realized from Lijin in the Province of Yunnan fully exceeds \$1,000,000. The Authorities of that province, anxious to render every help to the Central Government, has decided to transmit annually that sum to Peking in toto. Upon receipt of this information, the Central Government has telegraphed back its appreciation.

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## THE STRIKERS.

Over every event, important or trifling, of daily life, it seems natural that men should look for the final or immediate cause, and resolutely refuse to trace matters any further back than that. The result of this extremely philosophical procedure is that most of us spend quite the greater part of our time in self-deception more or less deliberate. When, yesterday, Hongkong people found the city bereft of its chairs and rickshaws, they devoted one third of the day to bemoaning the inconvenience to which they personally were thus subjected, and the other two-thirds to explaining to themselves that the strike had broken out on account of the heavier fines recently imposed by the local magistrates on such of the coolies as had shown themselves disorderly, extortionate or insolent. And probably nine-tenths of us were perfectly satisfied with this explanation; as satisfied as we should be if told that the leaves fall in the autumn because the wind blows them.

Just as those leaves would have fallen, sooner or later, without any help from the wind, so such an incident as yesterday's strike would have taken place, even had there been no fines. For a long time past, the Hongkong polity in regard to the Chinese has been one of weak compromise; of giving way wherever there seemed the least possible excuse for so doing. The native has but to ask, to clamour or to grab, and all is well with him. Looked at squarely, the fact that these coolies, holding—as they do—goVERNMENT licenses, dare refuse to work, or dare pretend to dictate terms to the police, must be described as over bold as well as fool-hardy. Little by little they have been gaining ground, in a manner that no other city in the East, ruled by Europeans, would tolerate for a second; and now they seize on the first opportunity that comes to hand for pleading the old "grievance" story. This particular peg on which it has been their good pleasure to hang their alleged grievances is comic rather than otherwise: they break the law, are punished for so doing, and consequently refuse to work!

If the authorities choose—and for their own credit as Britishers we feel sure that they will choose—they can yet turn this folly on the part of the coolies to good account, and so recover some of the ground that they or their predecessors have lost in former times. To err on the side of mercy is certainly nobler than to go to the other extreme of tyranny; but there is a happy medium observed by other nations, in their dealings with natives, the value of which we English seem to have agreed in, the past, to ignore. What, mainly, Hongkong never seems to realise is that, given an inch, the coolie will take a yard. Under the old Manchu Government, punishments were so severe and liberty so restricted, that our generous and merciful laws are more puny child's play to the Chinese, trifles to be laughed at and set at naught as beneath him good. Of course the Government had it in its power, in a dozen ways, to stop the strike in an hour or two; but we trust that, so far from resting content with that, the authorities will see fit to guard against repetition of anything of the kind. Hongkong is being roundly laughed at already, in a variety of directions, and it is time that it showed itself not too proud to profit by the lesson to be derived from former errors.

## DAY BY DAY.

Hate hurts most the one who hates.

Mr. McWilliams.

Mr. C. F. McWilliams left for the North by the Nippon Maru to-day.

Typhoon Fills Up.

The Observatory reports that the typhoon of which we had warning two days ago has filled up.

Rough Weather.

The s.s. Jesuit, from Keelung, reports strong N.E. Monsoon with heavy rain and seas in the Formosan channel.

Tramcar Accident.

A woman who was knocked down by a tramcar in Des Vaux Road, yesterday, has been removed to the hospital.

Craigengower Cricket Club.

The annual general meeting of the Craigengower Cricket Club will be held at the Pavilion on Friday, November 1, at 5.30 p.m.

Chinese Injured.

A Chinese employed as a salesman in the Central Market, was knocked down by a tram-car yesterday and removed to the hospital.

The Dacre Castle.

From an advertisement elsewhere, it will be seen that tenders are being invited for the wrecked steamer Dacre Castle, as she lies at Keelung.

"Dope."

For unlawfully having in his possession a quantity of opium, a Chinese was fined \$50, with the alternative of six weeks' imprisonment, at the Police Court this morning.

Wounded in the Leg.

A man has been sent to the hospital from the Western district suffering from a wound in the leg said to have been inflicted by another man in the course of a quarrel.

Heavy Opium Fines.

Two men were fined \$500, or in default three months' imprisonment each, by Mr. E. A. Irving, at the Police Court, this morning, for being in unlawful possession of 45 taels and 15 tales of opium, respectively.

Colonial Secretary's Holiday.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, Colonial Secretary, will, we learn, leave for Home on the 23rd November. He will be absent for four months. Mr. Severn will go Home by P. & O. steamer, and will return via Siberia.

The Bag of Rice.

District Watchman 99 caught a man in Queen's Road West, with a bag of rice. The latter could not account for it satisfactorily and was arrested. At the Police Court, this morning, he was fined \$50 or in default one month's hard labour.

## THE ALLEGED MURDER.

Interview with Dead Man's Brother.

Joseph Wangstrom, brother of Robert Wangstrom, who is said to have been murdered on board the s.s. Minnesota, seen by a representative of the "Telegraph" this morning said his brother and he had been on the ship as water tenders for several trips.

"The last time that I saw my brother," he said, "was at ten o'clock on the night of his death. We were both ashore together, and he said: 'Joe, I've got to go on board to stand the watch.'

"I did not know of his death until 9.15 the next morning when I reached the ship."

The quarter master of the vessel said to-day: "The Doctor was ashore at the time of the affair, and we could do nothing for the injured man. He did not seem to suffer, and there was scarcely any outward bleeding."

"I was about to come on watch when I heard him cry, and rushed up on deck, passing the word for the chief officer at the same time."

"Dunn made no attempt at resistance; he did not seem to realize the position. We looked him in a cabin until the police should arrive, and set a guard over him so that he should not either commit suicide, or try to escape by jumping overboard."

## OUR BURGLAR."

THE WIZARD AGAIN BEFORE THE COURT.

Takes an Interest in the Court Walls.

With amusing nonchalance, Wong Cheuk, the Peak Burglar, with many aliases, squatted in the far right-hand corner of the dock in front of Mr. E. A. Irving, at the Police Court, this morning. The trip from Macao was made on the s.s. Sui An, which arrived last night.

Sergeants Appleton and Terrett, along with four Chinese detectives, forming the escort.

As he squatted in the dock this morning prisoner's eyes wandered round the four walls of the Court, and the windows looking on to the "Magistrate's" verandah appeared particularly to attract him.

There were twenty other coolies in the dock, along with him but he took very little notice of them. In fact, he appeared to scorn the smaller fry in the realm of misdemeanour and law-breaking. Whether by accident or arrangement, the number of uniformed European police officers at the door of the Court was remarkably large.

Alongside the prisoner, (outside the dock rails) Sergeant Appleton stood and did not allow the slightest notion of the prisoner to escape his notice. The prisoner was handcuffed throughout the proceedings.

Inspector Watt: Will your Worship take the Peak Burglar's case now?

Mr. Irving: Yes. Have you got the depositions?

Inspector Watt: Yes.

Mr. Irving: The original ones?

Inspector Watt: No, not the original ones, they are in the office of the chief clerk. We have the committal warrants, the originals are with the Crown Solicitor.

Chief Detective Inspector Collett: There is a copy of the depositions in the Magistrate's office.

Mr. Irving: You want him committed to the Sessions?

Inspector Watt: Yes.

Mr. Irving: November Sessions?

Inspector Watt: Yes.

Mr. Irving: He was originally committed to the October Sessions?

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Mr. Irving: November Sessions?

Inspector Watt: Yes.

Mr. Irving: Very well, you are committed to the November Sessions.

Prisoner: Yes.

Mr. Irving: Are you Wong Chouk alias Tai Tin?

Prisoner: Yes.

Mr. Irving: Very well, you are committed to the November Sessions.

## HARBOUR OFFENCES.

This morning at the Marine Magistrate's Court, before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., Capt. Reher of the s.s. Chow Tai was charged with unlawfully failing to carry the regulation lights, while under way in the waters of the Colony on Sept. 24.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.

L. S. Fox said that at 6.35 p.m. he was on duty at the west end of the Central Fairway, when he saw the Chow Tai coming in from Green Island, with no steaming light up. She had bow and two riding lights. Daylight had just gone.

The defendant said it was 7.10 a.m. when they made fast to the buoy. He, personally, saw the steaming light lowered, and the riding light hoisted when they got to the mast head but to the stay.

Mr. Schade, mate of the s.s. Chow Tai, corroborated, and said the steaming light was not hoisted to the mast head but to the stay.

The case was dismissed.

L. S. R. Lanigan charged two boat people with unlawfully masking fast their boat to the s.s. Chow Tai thereby causing an obstruction in the Central Fairway in Victoria Harbour. They were each fined \$5.

Revenue Officer L. A. Langley, charged the master of the Teuro Mara with unlawfully failing to obey the rule of the road.

The case was dismissed and the defendant cautioned.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE YAUUMATI BOMB THROWING CASE.

This morning, the trial of Wu Hon for the murder of Li Kwan Tsim, at Yauumati on Sept. 11, was resumed before the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C., and a jury comprised as follows:

Messrs. J. W. Kow, R. K. Miller, W. B. Stormer, P. W. A. Wilkie, L. J. Blackburn, H. L. Beyer, and T. S. Robson.

The Attorney General, the Hon.

Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, instructed by the Assistant Crown Solicitor, Mr. P. M. Hodgeson, appeared for the Crown and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell, defended.

Mr. Jenkin, who opened the defendant's case this morning, said his defence was a very simple one and a very short one.

It was the best defence known to law and lawyers and shortly was this, "I am not the man."

In fact, he appeared to scorn the smaller fry in the realm of misdemeanour and law-breaking.

Whether by accident or arrangement,

the Crown had got hold of a peaceful citizen of Yauumati and a resident of Woo Sung St. where the occurrence took place.

He would tell them, he was in Woo Sung St. when the bomb was thrown and in common with others he fled.

Why he fled he would tell them himself.

Probably he was frightened.

He was immediately arrested and therefore he could not collect witnesses who might have seen him, and seen another man who threw the bomb.

It so happened that there was a considerable number of people in the vicinity at the time, and the matter was probably talked about and in that way he would be able to call three witnesses before them in addition to the accused.

One was an amah and the other two had something to do with boiler making.

In fact they would tell the jury that they saw a man dressed in black throw a bomb and that this man fled towards the hill district—whatever that might mean—and that they presently saw Wu Hon brought back by two or three people.

If that evidence were unshaken by the Attorney General, then he would submit that this evidence must conclude the matter, and that in the panic which ensued upon the throwing of the bomb, unfortunately the wrong man was captured.

He thought, after they had heard his evidence, he would be able to induce them to say that on the balance of the evidence he would produce, they would not take so much notice of the evidence of the Crown as would have been the case had it not been combated.

The prisoner in the box bore out his counsel's statement,

and admitted in cross-examination that he had met the deceased before.

On one occasion, he was

quarrelling with another man in a tea shop and the deceased came up and spoke to him.

About 20 days.

Did you see him again before the bomb throwing?—No.

Did you threaten him?—No.

When he told you to go away what did you do?—I walked away.

And you did not see him again, until when?—Until I saw him in the Hospital.

After describing his arrest, the prisoner said he did not know whether the deceased accused him. He did not hear him tell the two constables to arrest him (the accused).

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

## THE STRIKE.

Coolies return to Work this Afternoon.

The strike of rickshaws and chair coolies has proved, as we anticipated yesterday, little more than a storm in a tea-cup. It was confidently believed that the men would resume work last night; but owing apparently to various trifling disagreements among the men themselves, a general start was not made by the rickshamen till noon to-day.

The strike has not been as general as was at first thought. Not only did the Kowloon coolies take no part in it, but public rickshaws were plying round West Point yesterday afternoon and evening; and various stray vehicles were seen near the Hongkong Hotel in the early part of this morning. Further, the chair coolies at the Peak have—we believe without exception—stuck to their work throughout.

Naturally, we have received the full crop of scènes, rumours, false alarms and suggestions from divers quarters, and the sifting of all these has entailed more labour than profit. The rumours are too generally known to call for recapitulation.

In its issue of this morning the "Morning Post" said:—"If it is true several cases at the Magistracy yesterday, in which the defendants, chair or rickshaw coolies, were charged with minor offences, were put off on account of the strike, then we think there are grounds for criticism. Whatever may have been the motive for such a step, only one construction would be placed on it by the coolies themselves. It would be fatal to meet their impudent outbreaks other than with the firmest and severest measures."

If there be truth in the statement, those responsible for the supposed postponement cannot be considered to have taken up a very wise or dignified position.

We shall anxiously await further information on the subject.

## Suggestions.

As to suggestions, one reaches us to the effect that "it would be as well if the Government took the chairs and rickshaws of the Colony. The coolies could apply each day at the police stations in the different districts, and pay over their fees to the officer in charge, just as they do now to private firms. The Sanitary Inspectors, in the course of their rounds, could supervise them, and the coolies would be under better control. The expense of such an undertaking would not be great and the benefits that would accrue from the enterprise would not only compensate the authorities but convenience the public."

The Registrar General learns the men protest to be labouring under a variety of grievances; but—and here we heartily congratulate the Government on taking a firm stand—they have been given very distinctly to understand that, so long as they remained on strike, these would not be listened to. When once they are all back at their regular work they will be at liberty to advance whatever complaints they choose, and these will have a fair hearing and, where necessary, full consideration.

A chair coolie who was a striker was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment at the Police Court this morning, for assaulting a rickshaw coolie, near the Ko Sing Theatre. A proprietor of rickshaws was travelling in the ricksha at the time, and he caught the defendant.

## Ricksha Coolies Fined.

Three more rickshaw coolies were charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne at the Police Court, this morning, with behaving in a disorderly manner in Queen's Road Central, at 6.15 a.m. yesterday.

A Chinese detective said he heard one of the defendants call out to another ricksha coolie "Don't draw rickshas or you will be killed."

The coolies were fined \$2 each or, in default, five days and bound over, in sum of \$100 to keep the peace for six months.

Mr. Melbourne remarked that men who wanted to work must be protected.

## Had to Get Money.

Another ricksha coolie was charged before Mr. C. D. Mel-

bourne, at the Police Court, this afternoon, with stealing an ear-ring from a woman. When the defendant was arrested he told the police he was on strike and he had to get money from somewhere.

A witness stated he heard a dispute over money between the prosecutrix and the defendant.

It was proved, however, that the witness was not present at the time and he was fined \$3 for giving false evidence, whilst the coolie was sent to goal for six weeks, ordered to be kept in the stocks for four hours, and birched.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Developments at Sam Sui Po.

At Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council, Hon. Mr. E. Osborn will put the following questions:

1. In view of the developments now proceeding at Sam Sui Po and Ap Lui and in view of the fact that these places are accessible to wheeled traffic for only part of the way will the Government at an early date take steps to improve the communication to this district?

2. Will the Government undertake the construction of a rickshaw road from Sam Sui Po to Lai Chi Kok, in order to give access to the Petroleum Installation, Brewery, Quarantine Station (now used as a Barracks) and bathing grounds in the vicinity?

Orders of the Day.

The following are the orders of the day:

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to make provision for the appointment of and to define the powers of the Crown Solicitors and Assistant Crown Solicitors of the Colony.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Church Body of the China Congregational Church in Hongkong.

Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law with respect to vehicles and traffic.

Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a further Supplementary Sum of Twenty-eight thousand six hundred Dollars and forty-five Cents, to defray the Charges of the Year 1911.

Third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Seven million one hundred and sixteen thousand four hundred and fifty-four Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1913.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance for effecting the final revision and amendment of the Ordinances of the Colony from 1844 to 1912 inclusive before incorporating them in the New Revised Edition of the Laws of the Colony.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Chinese Passenger Ships as defined by the Chinese Passengers Act, 1855, and concerning Asiatic Emigrants generally.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902.

## HAUL OF RIFLES.

Last night, an officer of the Harbour Department boarded a junk which was one of a number laying off Cleung Chau. The visit was for the inspection of licences, but finding some arms and ammunition on board, P. O. Drury was communicated with and that officer, with others made a search of the fleet, of twelve junks, with the result that 19 rifles, ammunition, dynamite and detonators were discovered.

Charges relating to the matter were preferred and the case was being heard at the Marine Magistrate's Court as we were going to press.

## ALLEGED KIDNAPPING

The four men and seven women charged with kidnapping eleven children, five males and six females, under the age of fourteen years, appeared before Mr. E. A. Irving, at the Police Court, this afternoon.

Mr. Gardiner, and Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for a number of the defendants.

The charge against them was withdrawn on the understanding that they would all be deported.

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## LAW SOCIETIES.

## CITY OF LONDON SOLICITORS COMPANY.

## The Law of Everyday Life.

The following is taken from the "Law Times":

Mr. J. C. Holmes (Master) presided at the second lecture of the session of the City of London Solicitors' Company, at the Hall of the Pewterers' Company, Lime Street, on Monday. Among those present were Sir Homewood Crawford (City Solicitor), Messrs. D. A. Howdon, J. B. Hartley, G. McNair, M. C. Matthews, T. H. Ronson, and Hugh D. P. Francis (Clerk).

Mr. F. D. Mackinnan lectured on the "The Law of Everyday Life."

He observed that every body was supposed to know the law; but the fact was that even the lawyer did not know the law—all that he knew was where to find it.

Life, indeed, would be full of terrors if it was necessary for everyone to know the law, and, fortunately, there were very few occasions when the average man was expected to be acquainted with it.

Nevertheless, in everyday life there arose from moment to moment occasions which involved the exercise of legal rights and liabilities, in regard to which it were necessary to work them out to their ultimate result, it would be most difficult to say where was the remedy, or how far one was placed in danger with regard to them.

The simplest matters of daily life, which involved so little, as far as money was concerned, that it was not worth anybody's while to have them thrashed out, were those which furnished the most difficult of problems.

As Mr. Justice Hamilton once said in a celebrated judgment over a dispute involving the sum of two or three shillings, "Claims which involve the least money involve the most law."

Obviously, contracts were being made and broken all day long. Starting in the morning with breakfast, there might be a bad egg on the table, and this involved a very nice question as to the claim against the grocer who supplied it as to whether there was an implied warranty that it was fit for consumption.

He should not attempt to answer any of these problems, but would propound some of them which might furnish matters for useful consideration.

After finishing breakfast, when a man left his house to go to business he was exercising the right of walking along the road, which might involve the law of highways.

When he crossed a footpath he might be exercising a right of easement, or possibly the law of right-of-way.

Entering an omnibus to go to the station, there was at once a contract.

If he approached the station by a foot path he went along it as a licensee, and his rights in case he was hurt or damaged would be dependent upon the exact rights a licensee in that position possessed.

When he bought his railway ticket, there was another contract and warranties on the part of the rail company.

If he wanted to light his pipe and went to an automatic machine for matches, there would be an intimation that if he put in a penny he would get the matches.

The putting in of the penny turned that offer into a contract made on one side and accepted by the other. He would obtain the matches in fulfilment of the rule that, under sale of goods, the payment of the price and the delivery of the goods had to be concurrent actions.

There was, he supposed, a warrant on the part of the owner of the machine that the matches were fit for their purpose of striking a light.

Supposing he found the box contained only a few matches, presumably it would be part of the offer made by the owner of the machine that the box should contain a reasonable quantity of matches.

If the penny were put in and no matches came out, he might perhaps think he was entitled to break open the machine, but his re-

## EX-CONVICT LABOUR.

Interesting Views of Manila  
Chief Engineer.

Mr. Clarence W. Hubbell, M. A. Soo, C. E., chief engineer of the Bureau of Public Works in Manila gave an exclusive interview to a "Telegraph" representative yesterday, prior to his steaming for his home in Detroit, Michigan, on an eight months' leave.

"A point about Manilan affairs that has not been touched on," Mr. Hubbell said, "is the use that we, in the Engineering department, make of the ex-prisoners from Bilibid jail. The general public, and the average merchant have a not unnatural dislike for the employment of ex-convicts, but this is manifestly unfair."

"Two years ago we began taking them on as workmen in various capacities, and with rare exceptions I have found them honest and hard-working. Since then we choose them in preference to almost any other labour."

"The reasons why most of them are so reliable and efficient," Mr. Hubbell continued, "are, first, that they want to reinstate themselves in the eyes of their fellow men; secondly, their sojourn in prison has made them accustomed to discipline and taught them to obey orders; thirdly, they have learned how to use tools, and use them well; and, fourthly, their bodies have been taken care of, properly fed and kept clean. And, I may add, the cleanly habits that they have had drilled into them, stick!"

"The average Philippino workman is a half starved affair, who has not the physical endurance necessary for our strenuous work, whereas, as I have said, the ex-convicts are fine types of men."

"Another thing that is being done, much to the benefit of Manila, is the shipping out of undesirable Americans. Last month we gave thirty of them free transportation on government ships and dumped them all in 'Frisco'.

They are a bad lot and portend many of our men, who would otherwise be useful assets to us."

When asked about trade, especially with reference to the Japanese, Mr. Hubbell said:

"The Japanese do not make any inroads on our business, though they are cutting heavily into the general trade of the Orient. They can do this because of the subsidization of their companies by their government. Other nations do not assist their merchant marine in this way."

"No, the Chinese are our best merchants by far. Here is an incident of their way of doing business that I personally witnessed:

"I was bound up the coast on a revenue cutter, and an American travelling salesman, a good fellow who was selling sweets, asked permission to go. At a small port he found a very old Chinese who had a little shop.

More in fun than anything else, the 'drummer' asked if he could sell him some candy. The Oriental gravely sampled everything, then pointing to the gaily coloured gum-drops, said: 'I'll take five tons of those!'

"Of course the American thought it was a joke, but it turned out that this old chap owned 200 little shops all over the Island, and as he produced the money the deal went through."

"I cannot say enough of the clean business ways of the Chinese with us, as contractors and in every other way."

Concerning the recent typhoon Mr. Hubbell said: "It was the worst for many years. Twenty inches of rain fell in 21 hours.

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## To-Day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Orangegrove Cricket Club will be held at the Pavilion on FRIDAY, the 1<sup>st</sup> November at 5.30 p.m.

R. BASA.

Hon. Secretary

Hongkong, 30th Oct. 1912. [806]

S. S. DAURE CASTLE.

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Hongkong, 30th Oct. 1912. [807]

## NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, M. Y. SAN & CO., hereby inform the public that MAR YURK SAN has been the only manager to transact the business of the said Company. We are now proceeding to enlarge our business elsewhere and MAR YURK SAN will, sometime, on Company's business, probably be absent from this Company.

We have therefore, from this date until further notice, appointed FUNG KWAN LUNG as assistant manager for the transaction of the business of the said Company and in future the transaction of the business of this Company will be carried out either by MAR YURK SAN or FUNG KWAN LUNG, of whom one of the signatures, together with the Company's chop, must be necessary for purchases, sales, or receipt of money for this Company. Without one of their signatures and the Company's chop no purchases, sales, or receipts of money will be recognized.

M. Y. SAN & CO.,

Confineurs,

No. 96, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 30th Oct. 1912. [808]

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Hongkong, 3rd Oct. 1912. [809]

## CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that, in consequence of the threatened shortage of water during the present dry season, the services to houses in the Rider, Main Districts will be disconnected from the mains as soon as possible.

The public fountains, from which a supply of water can be obtained, have been erected in the areas. The erection of public fountains is about to be proceeded with and the services to houses will be disconnected for the provision of not fountains provided.

(Sd.) W. CHATHAM,

Water Authority.

Public Works Office.

Hongkong,

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For Steamship. On

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SHANGHAI, SWATOW, HANGSANG	HANGSANG	Sunday, 3rd Nov., D'light.
SINGAPORE, SAMARANG, ANG & SURABAYA	FAUSANG	Monday, 4th Nov., Noon.
TIENTSIN	CHEONGSHING	Friday, 8th Nov., Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 9th Nov., 2 p.m.
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LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, & CALCOUTTA	Capt. F. E. Cope, T. 16,000	Nov. at D'light.
COLONIA, BUNA & PORT SAID	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Tokuda, T. 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 20th Nov. at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE	YOKOHAMA MARU	THURSDAY, 7th
via MOJI, KOMA, & YOKKAICHI	Capt. K. Noda, T. 12,500	Nov. at Noon.
YOKKAICHI & YAMAN	ISINABA MARU, Capt. S. Tomiura, T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 19th Nov. at Noon.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	NIKKO MARU	FRIDAY, 22nd Nov.
MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE	Capt. M. Yagi, T. 9,000	at Noon.

BOMBAY & SINGAPORE	KAWACHI MARU	MONDAY, 11th November.
ROB & COLOMBO	Capt. A. Christensen, T. 6,000	11th November.

CALCOUTTA	HAKATA MARU	SATURDAY, 1st half Nov.
SINGAPORE PENANG & RANGOON	Capt. H. Nomura, T. 12,500	2nd November.

KOBE & YOKO	TANGO MARU	THURSDAY, 7th
HAMA	Capt. K. Kawata, T. 13,500	Nov. at 11 A.M.

SHANGHAI	JINSEN MARU	WEDNESDAY, 8th
& KOBE	Capt. M. Machida, T. 5,000	Nov. 8th.

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Kitano Maru	10,000	9th April.
Iyo Maru	12,500	23rd April.
Hirano Maru	16,000	7th May.
Tango Maru	18,500	21st May.

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## LOG BOOK.

## Steam Turbine Development.

At the present juncture in the struggle for supremacy of various forms of prime movers it is instructive to observe the lines of development of the steam turbine, and to take note of the extent to which it is being linked up with other machinery in its modified forms. The matter is carefully reviewed in a paper by Professor A. C. Christie which has recently been published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and his remarks relate to large steam turbines throughout the engineering world. It is admitted that the fundamental types associated with the names of Parsons, Curtis, Rateau, and Zoelly are each based upon sound theoretical principles, and the conclusion arrived at is that, although in some directions the use of these types up to machines of 1,000 h.p. has received temporary check, and although certain features have proved unsatisfactory, manufacturers have derived considerable advantage by combining the characteristics of two or more types; while further progress has been rendered possible by the introduction of new metals and new arrangements for diminishing the distortion of casings and spindles, and by a modified scheme of blading. In the struggle against competitors there is also a tendency to compromise between efficiency and manufacturing costs. It is characteristic of these changes that there are now on the market such combinations as Curtis-Parsons, Curtis-Rateau, and Curtis-Zoelly turbines. Particular attention has been given to the form of the blades and to the problems of clearance and lubrication; and the question of providing easy access to working parts has also entered into the design of all modern turbines. It is contemplated that turbines will be made shorter and with very stiff shafts, and that peripheral speeds will be increased, and it is fully recognized that future advance will call for a considerable amount of research work, especially in regard to speed regulation. In this connection, as will be seen from an article in another column, Mr. George Westinghouse has great hopes of gearing as a solution of the difficulties attending speed control, even the largest battleships. There is a further field for development in such units.

tions as alternating-current turbo-generators, turbo-compressors, turbo-blowers, and turbo-pumps, all of which call for special design. The great lesson of the evolution of turbine machinery, in fact, is that its progress depends upon the diversity of invention surrounding the central idea, whereby it is made possible, for engineers to adapt it to the multiplicity of requirements upon which the growth and stability of remunerative engineering business always depend.

Pacific Lines to England.  
Tendency on the part of British shipowners to establish a regular steamship trade between ports on the Pacific Coast and the United Kingdom has drawn, says the "Manchester Guardian," favourable comment from the port authorities in Vancouver. The Blue Funnel Line has nine steamers on a monthly service between Great Britain and Vancouver, via the Orient and Suez. The Harrison Line maintains a similar schedule between Great Britain and Vancouver, but by way of the Straits of Magellan with four vessels. The Maple Leaf Line is comparatively a new factor in the deeper trade, running from New York to Vancouver via the Straits of Magellan and carrying outward cargoes to Europe. This line runs one boat every five weeks, and probably an additional boat will be placed on the run during the present year. The Maple Leaf Line also sends steamers regularly on the Pacific Coast for the west coast of England, and these steamers carry considerable quantities of canned goods. It is probable that this service will be extended to Manchester, where there is an excellent market for the products of British Columbia, including timber, barley, ore, canned fruit, etc.

Promotions from the Ranks.  
Sergt.-Major H. E. Worthing, Rifle Brigade, has been promoted to quartermaster with the honorary rank of lieutenant in succession to Lieut. and Quartermaster G. Mitchell, who has been transferred from the 4th Battalion Rifle Brigade to the Rifle Depot at Winchester. Mechanist Sergt.-Major A. J. Sanford, Royal Engineers, now on duty at Malta, has been promoted to lieutenant in the Coast Battalion, Royal Engineers.

A. S. C.

It is understood on good authority that several new mechanical transport companies of the Army Service Corps are about to be formed. There are at present 6 of such units.

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Sachsen	H. A. L.	31 October
Sonegambia	H. A. L.	4 November
Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	6 Nov., d'light
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Korea	O. S. K.	10 November
Seattle Maru	O. S. K.	31 October
Mexico Maru	N. Y. K.	12 November
Yokohama Maru	C. P. R. Co.	5 November
Montagle	C. P. R. Co.	14 December
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Borneo	M. & Co.	Mid October
Hakata Maru	N. Y. K.	2 November
Kawachi Maru	N. Y. K.	11 November
Fausang	J. M. & Co.	4 November
Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	4 November
Kutsang	J. M. & Co.	20 October
Banri Maru	D. & Co.	2 November
Lawada	J. M. & Co.	7 Nov., about
Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Alesia	H. A. L.	19 November
Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	12 Nov., about
Tango Maru	N. Y. K.	7 November
Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	20 November
E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	31 October, about
Cheongshing	J. M. & Co.	8 November
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Haiching	D. L. & Co.	5 November
Daigai Maru	O. S. K.	3 November
Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	6 November
Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	2 November
Yuenasang	J. M. & Co.	9 November
Tuming	B. & S.	5 November
Rubi	S. T. & Co.	7 November
Sanuki Maru	N. Y. K.	8 November
Jelunga	D. S. & Co.	5 November
Nansang	J. M. & Co.	11 November
Australien	M. M. C. Co.	4 November
Liberia	H. A. L.	13 November
Nippon	S. W. & Co.	31 October, about
Ceylon	A. N. & Co.	17 November
Denbighshire	J. M. & Co.	1 Nov., about
Nile	P. & O. Co.	31 October
Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	4 November
Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Chenan	B. & S.	31 October
Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
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THE Steamship

"DILWARA."

Capt. W. J. Bishop, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 4th Nov., at 1 p.m.

DAVID SASSOON &amp; CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd Oct., 1912. [804]

## FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"JELUNGA."

Captain D. MacFadgen, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 5th Nov., 8 p.m.

The steamer has superior accommoda-

tion for a limited number of first class passengers. Fare to Bangkok on the 10th Nov.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON &amp; CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd Oct., 1912. [805]

THE Steamship

"CITY OF BARODA."

Captain Haughton, will be despatched from this port on or about MONDAY, the 4th November.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th Oct., 1912. [787]

THE Steamship

"INDRA MARU"

will be despatched for the above ports on or about 7th November.

For Freight and further particulars apply to

DODWELL &amp; CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th Oct., 1912. [788]

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Hongkong, 16th Oct., 1912. [789]

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Hongkong, 16th Oct., 1912. [791]

THE Steamship

"INDRA MARU"

## HOTEL LIST.

HOTEL LIST.	
Hongkong Hotel.	Matheson, Mrs. R.
Abdalla, F.	T. & child
Antoine, A.	McKenney Dr. O.
Babcock, Dr.	and McKenney Dr. O.
Miss H.	W. & Mrs.
Bachen, C. T.	McWilliams, C. F.
Barberini, A. T.	Mead, R. D.
Bargmann, F.	Mehta, K. B.
Bate, E. B.	Merecki, J.
Beaumont, G. A.	Melton, C. S.
Bell, G. D. J.	Meyer, Mrs. H.
Bens, G. A.	Mickle, D. M.
Blanch, Mr.	and Mitchellmore, Mr.
Mrs. N. F.	and Mrs. L. V.
Brazier, H. W.	and child
Brown, C. S.	Mulder, Mr. and
Brill, Dr.	Mrs. J. D. F.
Burns, Mrs. F.	Moore, C. M.
Buschner, O.	Moore, Miss M.
Campbell, Lady	Morris, J.
Nothombe, Capt.	Claxton, A. A.
Collins, H. O.	and Mrs. F. D.
Collins, Miss G. V.	Ormiston, J.
Cokely, T. J.	Palmer, L.
Conolly, Mr. & Mrs.	Paul, Mrs.
D. H.	Potter, Miss
Cooper, W. A. J.	Randall, Dr. L. F.
Crocker, Miss	Rattray, Dr.
Orozio, Mrs. L. H.	Reay, E. H.
Curry, G. P.	Reay, Miss F.
Davis, C. H.	Reich, Chen.
Defer, C.	Ritter, F.
Dickinson, Miss E.	Rosenbaum, S. S.
Dickmann, Miss A.	Rosenbaum, R. T.
J.	Rosenbaum, Mr.
D'Ottington, V.	and Mrs.
Douglas, Mrs. R. H.	Roth, Miss N.
Drew, W. C.	Rutley, Miss G.
Du, Boi	and Schmeid, W.
Mrs. C. H.	Scott, Mr. & Mrs.
Lodge, Mrs. J. E.	J. Water.
Edwards, J. E.	Soot, Miss A.
Eisenfeld, Mr. and	Scizman, H.
Mrs. H. C.	Solomon, H. H.
Farley, W. A.	Spiers, J.
Feld, H. A.	Sullivan, P. G.
Finlayson, Miss C.	Sundholmer, W.
Misher, H. G.	A.
Fowler, E. A. S.	Stephenson, B.
recess, Dr.	Stedman, Mr.
Frank, Mr. and	Stevens, O. A.
Mrs. J. S. X.	Strachan, Mrs. G.
French, Mrs. & child	B.
Faller, Deanna	Strasburg, Mr. &
George, Mr. & Mrs.	Mrs. E.
F. J.	Souza, Mrs. A. J.
George, Miss	ds.
Gordon, A. G.	Sutherland, P. D.
Goulbourn, V.	Square, Miss
Gould, Mr. & Mrs. J.	Tay, Mrs. H.
Goursey, I.	Taylor, Mrs. W. S.
Gray, Mrs. F. A.	Thackroy, J. A.
Grimshaw, R. J.	Tarbooch, Miss
Hall, Capt. T. P.	Vanderco, Mr. &
Hannibal, Mr. and	Mrs. T. N.
Mrs. W. A.	Veale, Commander
Harbord, W. T.	H. B.
Hill, Miss R.	Vermij, G.
Hirt, Miss M.	Vollbrecht, E.
Hope, E.	Vollbrecht, Mrs. E.
Hough, Dr. S.	Watermann, Mrs.
Innes, Capt. R.	Watkins, H.
Johnston, Mr. and	Watkinson, B. J.
Mrs. J.	Watson, L.
Komor, S.	Webb, Mr. & Mrs.
Lausung, Mrs. G.	B.
B.	Whamond, D. M.
Longyear, Mr. &	Wlesing, C. A.
Mrs. M.	Wilkinson, The
Longyear, R. D.	Hon. Mrs.
Linhart, G. P.	Witherby, Miss F.
Lim King-jin	White, Mr. & Mr.
Lisser, Dr. & Mrs.	L. H. L.
Lissner, Dr. H.	Whiteshead, Mr. &
Lloyd, G. T.	Mrs. Mrs.
MacGregor, N. C.	Withington, Mr. and
Mackenzie, A.	Mrs. J. W.
Mackinnon, L. A.	Whitteman, B. A.
Madden, J.	Wilkinson, G. B.
Maroni, N.	Wood, G. G.
Mardott, Dr. O.	Wood, Mr. and
MacIntyre, Mr. &	Mrs. P. B.
Mrs. Neil	Wright, Mr. and
Young, J. A.	Mrs. J. F.
Astor House.	
Abrahamson, G.	Laploque, P. A.
Annes, A. L.	Lassalle, Jean
Arnold, J. B.	Lugelot, V.
Arnold, Mr. & Mrs.	Marlot, Mr. and
O.	Mrs. E. R.
Atto, L.	Marshall, G. W.
Blumenthal, D.	Maurer, Mr. and
Brooks, R. E.	Mrs.
Brown, Mr. & Mrs.	Monschke, R.
P. D.	Motion, Mrs. S.
Borges, Mrs. B. C.	Munoz, Mr. and
Byrne, J. D.	Mrs. C.
Chen, H. V.	Museo, F.
Chopard, F. A.	Nichols, T. T.
Cowan, W. E.	Phit, Mr. & Mrs.
Cruttishaw, J. L.	H.
Currie, Mrs. J.	Porter, Mr. and
Davies, W.	Mrs. B.
Dronchin, Mr. and	Roazin, L. F.
Mrs. A.	Scott, J. A.
Faukin, Dr. L. E.	Soot, James
Gibney, J. L.	Sohr, Mrs. A.
Gillies, J. S.	Toon Tchang-tai
Goldenberg	Turner, Mrs. D.
Gracian, J.	Woodward
Hayward, J. S.	Young, S. C.
Kankee, T.	
Chateaubus.	
Adams, Mr. & Mrs.	Elliott, Capt. and
2 children	2 children
Goldwell, Mr. & Mrs.	Kydd, T. W.
Carpenter, Mr. and	Smith, Mr. G.
Mrs. G.	Smith, E. G.
Christie, S. J.	Wood, J. M.
Dowell, W. A.	

## MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, October 25, 1912.

## BUTCHER MEAT.

Cts.

	内食	
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Moi Lung Pa	lb. 20	尾脂扒
Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	20	麻牛肉
" Roast,—Shiu	20	中牛
" Breast,—Nagu Lam	15	牛脑
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	20	牛肚
" Steak,—Nagu Pa	30	牛柳
" do.—Sirloin Cotom—Ngan Lau	24	牛腰
" Sausages,—Ngau Chaung	per set 9	牛脑
Bullock's Brains—" Know	each 45	牛脑
" Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	80	牛舌
" corned,—Ham Ngan Li	80	牛舌
" Head,—Ngau Tan	80	牛
" Heart,—Ngau Sun	12	牛肩
" Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	18	牛腰
" Feet,—Ngau Kesk	9	牛腿
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yi	9	牛尾
" Tail,—Ngau Kon	12	牛肝
" Liver,—Ngau Moi	6	牛肚
" Trip (undressed),—Ngau To	set \$1	牛仔脚
Calve Head & Feet,—Ngau-chai-tau-kark		羊脊骨
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 22	猪脊骨
Pigeon Chittlings,—Chu Chong	22	猪腰
" Brains,—Chu Know	per set 24	猪腰
" Foot,—Chu Kara	lb. 12	猪
" Fry,—Chu Chak	25	猪
" Head,—Chu Tau	15	猪
" Heart,—Chu Sun	each 13	猪
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	9	猪
" Liver,—Chu Con	lb. 30	猪肝
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	20	猪排
Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	24	猪腰
" Leg,—Chu Po	15	猪腰
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	50	猪油
Sheep Head and Feet,—Tau	set 50	牛油
Heart,—Yeung Sum	each 6	牛油
Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	9	牛油
Liver,—Yeung Con	lb. 24	牛油
Sucking Pigs, To Order,—Chu Cha	22	仔牛肉
Suet, Beef,—Sang Ngau Yau	22	仔牛油
Mutton,—Sang Yeung Yau	20	仔牛油
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	20	仔牛油
" Sausages,—Ngau Chai Chuaung	20	仔牛油
POULTRY.		
Chicken,—Kai Chai	lb. 28	生口
Capon, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	28	鸡仔
Ducks,—Ap	25	翅膀
Doves,—Pan Kau	each 15	翅膀
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan	per doz 24	翅膀
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb. 30	翅膀
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	28	翅膀
Geese,—Ngai	30	翅膀
Geese, Wild Shai,—Shang-ho Yea Ngai	pair —	翅膀
Musk Deer,—Wong Kong	each —	鹿角
Hare, Shanghai,—Fu Chai	60	兔肉
Partridge,—Chi Hoo	60	兔肉
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair \$ 1.70	兔肉
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each 30	鸽子
" Hoihow,—Ho How Pak Kup	24	鸽子
Quail,—Uin-Chun	15	鸽子
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheul	dozen 55	鸽子
Snipe,—Sa-Choy	each 22	鸽子
Turkeys, Cook,—Phor Kai Kung	lb. 60	火
" Hen, " Na	50	火
Wild Ducks Canton,—Shai—Shang-ho Sui Ap	\$1.00	水鸭仔
Tea,—Sui Ap Choi	50	水鸭仔
Wild Ducks Canton,—Sang-Shing Sui Ap	\$1.20	水鸭仔
FISH.		
Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb. 9	鱼
Bream,—Bin Yu	17	鱼
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	17	鱼
" Li Yu	22	鱼
Catfish,—Chik Yu	20	鱼
Codfish,—Mun Yu	18	鱼
Crabs,—Hai	20	蟹
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	16	墨鱼
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	17	沙丁鱼
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	12	沙丁鱼
Dog Fish,—Tit Tu Sa	9	沙丁鱼
Eels, Congor,—Hoi Mann	17	海参
" Fresh water,—Tan Sin Yu	17	海参
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin Yu	28	海参
Frogs,—Tien Kai	32	青蛙
Garoupa,—Sek Pan	48	金枪鱼
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	12	白姑鱼
Herring,—Tso Pak	22	鲱鱼
Hilidib,—Chung Kwan Kup	22	鲱鱼
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	35	白姑鱼
Loach,—Wu Yu	28	白姑鱼
Lobsters,—Lang Ha	48	龙虾
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	32	鲨鱼
Mullet,—Chi Yu	28	鲨鱼
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	20	牡蛎
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	20	鹦嘴鱼
Petrol,—Tan Loo	15	花斑鱼
Pike,—Fa Paw Poong	8	花斑鱼
Plaice,—Pan Yu	18	花斑鱼
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	28	黑斑鱼
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	40	白斑鱼
Pawn,—Ming Ha	48	明目鱼
Ray,—Pai Fa	9	鳐
Rock Fish,—Sek Ka Kung	10	石斑鱼
Salmon,—Ma Yu	48	三文鱼
Shark,—Sa Yu	9	鲨鱼
Skate,—Po Yu	32	鲨鱼
Shrimps,—Ha	36	虾
Snapper,—Lap Yu	28	沙丁鱼
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	18	蛇鱼
Tench,—Wan Yu	26	左口鱼
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	56	带鱼
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kork Yu	—	银鱼仔
White Bait,—Ngau Yu Chai	—	银鱼仔

## FRUITS.

Cts.

Almonds,—Hung Yau	lb. 25	杏仁
Apples (California)—Kem San Ping Kho	20	金生平
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho	—	天伦平
" Small,—Hoi Tong	—	海通
" Custard,—Fan Lai Choi	each	芬蘭
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiub	lb. 3	山香
" (bridges), Macao,—San Hsiung Chiub</		

**COMMERCIAL.****Gold Reef in Japan.**

Vernacular papers report that an extensive gold reef has lately been discovered in a mountain near Shinosono, Lihaino province, and that a survey has been carried out by experts of the Department for Agriculture and Commerce. It is stated that the reef extends over an area of 2,000 ft.

**Rubber and Tin Returns.**  
Kupowens, 1911—3,250 lbs.; Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 1912, 15,030 lbs.; Mergui, 1,254 lb.; five mos., 6,484. Tapping stopped for a part of the month on account of rains.

Kuala Sawah ..... 2,035.

Shanghai Share Market.

24th October, 1912.

Few transactions have taken place since the issue of our last circular. The market generally is inactive. Rates for Rubbers and almost all other stocks remain unchanged, with the exception of Langkats which have declined to Tls. 55.

**Sterling Quotation:**—The T.T. Rate on London to-day is 2/10L. Business Recorded:—

October 18th.—Shanghai Club 6 per cent. Debentures Tls. 100 cash. Kung Yiks Tls. 12½ cash. Internationals Tls. 68 cash. Shanghai Cottons Tls. 84 October. Dominions Tls. 20 cash. Semambus Tls. 3.10 cash. Padangs Tls. 10 cash. Astor House \$3 cash. Amherst Tls. 3 cash.

October 19th.—Municipal 6 per cent. Debentures (1911) Tls. 103 cash. Sui Manggis Tls. 62 cash. Chongz Tls. 4 cash.

October 21st.—Anglo-French Land 6 per cent debentures (1911) Tls. 100 cash. Shanghai Land 6 per cent debentures (1894) Tls. 100; (1901) Tls. 100; (1900) Tls. 100 cash. Municipal 5 1/2 per cent debentures (1893) Tls. 99.34 cash. Municipal 6 per cent (1901) Tls. 103 cash. (1912) Tls. 106 1/2 cash. Tugs (pref) Tls. 40 cash. Sonawangs Tls. 21.1-2 cash. Amherst Tls. 3 1/4 cash. Chengz Tls. 4 cash. Almas Tls. 7.3-4 cash. Chongz Tls. 1.12.1-2 cash. Anglo-Dutch Tls. 1.35 cash. Philippines Tls. 4 cash.

October 22nd.—Country Club debentures Tls. 66 cash. Astor House 7 per cent debentures Tls. 87.1-2 cash. Langkats Tls. 56 cash. Tugs (ord) Tls. 16 (pref) Tls. 40 cash. Ziangbes Tls. 4.1-4 cash. Chemors Tls. 1.12.1-2 cash. Anglo-Dutch Tls. 1.35 cash. Philippines Tls. 4 cash.

October 23rd.—H. and S. Banks \$800 cash. Central 8 per cent debentures Tls. 100 cash. Municipal 6 per cent debentures (1903) Tls. 102.1-2 cash. Tugs (pref) Tls. 40 cash. Soy Chees Tls. 35 cash. Kurans Tls. 12 cash. Ziangbes Tls. 4.1-4 cash. Almas Tls. 7.3-4 cash. Amherst Tls. 3 1/4 cash. Chemors Tls. 1.12.1-2 cash. Tebongs Tls. 13.1-4 cash. North Chinas Tls. 135 cash. Tramways Tls. 57 cash.

October 24th.—H. and S. Banks \$800 cash. Shanghai Gas debentures Tls. 104 cash. Soy Chees Tls. 34.1-2 cash. Amherst Tls. 3.1-4 cash. (Gulang) Tls. 11 cash. Sonawangs Tls. 21.1-2 cash. Chemors Tls. 1.12.1-2 cash. Permatahs Tls. 3 cash. Padangs Tls. 10.1-2 cash. Tebongs Tls. 13.1-4 cash. Telephones Tls. 60 cash. Weeks and Co. \$223.4 cash.—J. P. Bisset and Co.'s circular.

**Japanese Railway Rates.**  
The new tariff of freights on the Governmental railways came into operation on the 1st instant. The railway authorities expect that revenue will be sacrificed to the amount of Y. 1,500,000 by the new tariff, as several classes of freight have been reduced. It is, however, generally believed that the new tariff will in practice show a profit, as the traffic of goods will increase with lower rates.

**Shanghai Bullion.**  
October 25, 1912.  
Bar Silver ..... d. 25.3-10  
Mexican Dollars  
Market Rate, Tls. 74.225  
Dragon Dollars  
Native Bank  
Rate ..... 74.125  
Copper Cash ..... per Tls. 1.707  
Shanghai Gold Bars \$/lini Tls.  
Bar Silver ..... Tls.

**Native Interest.**  
Sovereigns, £/bs.  
Buying rate, Tls. 6.88

**CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO., LTD.****Entire Reversal of Chinese Feelings.**

At the Statutory Meeting of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., held in London on the 30th September, Mr. W. Fitz James Turner, who presided, made the following remarks in regard to the present position and prospects of the company since the amalgamation with the Lanchow Mining Co.

You are aware that the business of the new company in China, together with the business of our former competitors, the Lanchow Mining Company, has been placed under the direction of a body consisting of representatives of the two companies known as the Kailan Mining Administration. The opening of new markets progresses. Agencies at Swatow, Amoy, and other const ports, have been established, and are gradually engaging business, while quite recently a contract has been made for a year's supply to Manila of 50,000 tons at a remunerative rate.

"Other and more important influences, however, are at work, from which I foresee future developments, the value of which cannot be estimated at present. First amongst these is undoubtedly the entire reversal of the feelings of both the people and the Government towards the Kailan Mining Administration as compared with the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company (Limited). The two months that have elapsed since the formation of the Kailan Mining Administra-

tion and prospects of the business. He says:—

"During the last two months (that is, July and August) business has been very seriously impeded by climatic conditions. Heavy rainfall has rendered most of the country where our largest sales are effected practically impassable for coal carts, with the result that our sales in the North have been reduced to a very low figure. The stocks accumulated by contractors and purchasers who speculated largely in coal owing to the very low prices ruling in the early part of the spring have not yet been exhausted. Our overseas sales have, however, been developing, it is true very gradually, but still, taking various adverse circumstances such as high rate of exchange and freight into consideration, on the whole satisfactorily. The opening of new markets progresses. Agencies at Swatow, Amoy, and other const ports, have been established, and are gradually engaging business, while quite recently a contract has been made for a year's supply to Manila of 50,000 tons at a remunerative rate.

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TRAVELLERS CHECKS sold and cashed.

OKROK HOOGA,  
Manager,

3, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1912. [19]

**Banks****INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION**

Head Office—Wall Street, New York.  
London Office—14, Bishopsgate, E.C.

**BRANCHES:**

Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Colombo, Foochow, Hongkong, Hawaiki.

Capital and Reserves \$10,000,000.

RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000.

LIQUID ASSETS \$2,000,000.

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.

DEPOSIT RECEIVED fixed for one year at 4% annum, or for shorter periods at rates which may be agreed upon.

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PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000.  
RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000.

LIQUID ASSETS \$2,000,000.

LIQUID LIABILITIES \$10,000,000.

OVER DRAWINGS \$10,000,000.

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tin are not sufficient to produce any decided effect, but that this effect will be beneficial and produce considerable result in the future can hardly be doubted.

## The Chaokochwang Mine.

Another important factor in the situation is the fact that the Chaokochwang Mine is now at our disposal. It is my opinion, concurred in by the engineer-in-chief, that this mine will beat no very distant date become the main producing mine of the Administration. The mine as it is working to-day produces, with the exception perhaps, of No. 5 seam of the Tongshan Mine, a grade of coal superior to that produced by any other of our mines. The 5-seam coal is, of course, a first-class coal, but, on the other hand, the maximum output can only be 150 tons per diem. At Chaokochwang, however, we shall shortly be able to produce a coal, with an average of 12 per cent ash, at a rate of over 1,000 tons per day. The percentage of lump will be about 60, as compared with about 20 per cent at our other mines. By the development of this mine, which by utilizing some of the plant now at Machinko will cost a comparatively trifling sum, we shall very considerably bolster our earning capacity.

I am confident that the prospects for the future of the Administration and of its allied companies are of the brightest. Great developments of our markets can be looked forward to. I would draw your attention to the development of our sales of coal during the years I have had charge of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company (Limited), and assure you that I not only see no reason for a check in that development, but I look forward under the altered conditions in which we shall work to a considerable impetus to our business.

## TWO QUESTIONS.

Mr. Hilaire Belloc and the Yellow Dragon.

Mr. Hilaire Belloc writes in the October number of the "Yellow Dragon," the organ of Queen's College.

I should very much like to ask the readers into whose hands this will fall, certain questions which they can answer better than any one living in England could. They concern a book which was brought out in England some years ago, and which never seems to have received the fame it deserves. Sooner or later it will count as an English classic; but though another edition was brought out ten years, I think, after the first, it is still quite insufficiently known to the mass of the people. It is called "The Wallet of Kai Lung." It is written by an Englishman under the name of "Ernest Braman," and the last edition was published by Messrs. Grant Richards.

Now the value of this book lies primarily in itself, neither in its subject nor in its style, but in the genius that characterises it and I feel certain that if the same writer had written upon almost any other subject within his experience we should have a result equally good. Nevertheless it is on the matter that I want to ask English people resident in China the questions I propose.

"The Wallet of Kai Lung" professes to be a series of Chinese tales told in the Chinese convention, and though often obviously used as a skit upon English ways and conventions, yet the phrases in it are a revelation to us who know nothing of the Chinese mind; at least we think so. What I want to ask is first whether we are right in thinking so? It will in no way affect my admiration of the book to learn that it is less or more successfully Chinese than a layman imagines it to be. It is a matter of curiosity I think many of us in this country would like to know. Certainly no other English book in any language of way translates China to Europe.

The second question I wish to ask is whether this admirable book is known to the English speaking community in China, or whether the origin and the conditions under which it was produced are known.

## LAW SOCIETIES.

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money would be a claim for the return of the penny, on the ground of total failure for the consideration. He might possibly also have a claim for damages, but probably not more than nominal, because he could, no doubt, get matches at the same price by a substituted contract of sale very near by. He (Mr. Mackinnon) did not know so much about the criminal law; but he would suggest that it was rather a nice problem what offence the man would commit if, instead of putting in a penny, he put in a mere piece of metal, and so got the matches. He might be liable by indictment for obtaining goods by false pretences, or for larceny by a trick, or in some other way. Then, if he was a solicitor employed by a client, or a barrister similarly employed to work and labour, the solicitor if he did not use the care and skill required from a properly qualified member of the Profession, would be liable, and there would be a claim for negligence against him. But the barrister was in the happy position that it had been laid down that no barrister was ever liable for any claim for negligence. If he went to lunch at an Aerated Bread shop, and had a shilling-worth of refreshment, and the man opposite had sixpennyworth and the waitress gave each man the other's ticket, then if he, having eaten a shilling-worth, gave the cashier the ticket, and, putting down half-a-crown, got two shillings in change, he could probably be indicted for obtaining the two shillings by false pretences; but if he put down the exact sixpence, it would be extremely doubtful if he committed any criminal offence, and he would be only liable to a civil claim for sixpence as he had ordered the refreshment under a contract and not paid for it. But this was a matter of doubt. There was a case recently where, a motor breaking down, the occupants went to an inn and asked for admittance. The innkeeper said that all his beds were occupied.

They asked to be allowed to come in and sit by the fire—it was a very wet and cold night, but he declined to allow them to do so. One of them caught a bad cold and was ill, and an action was brought against the innkeeper. But the Court held that he was in the right, for although an innkeeper was under the common law obligation to take in any traveller, he was only bound to do so if he had room and he was not bound to allow a man, his rooms, being full, to sit in a chair. Then, supposing a man was dining at a friend's house, the question as to the legal property of the crumbs was a most difficult one.

Suppose that, instead of eating the apple offered him at dessert, he put it in his pocket, might the host say that he was entitled to require it of him, because the legal property in that apple was his, and it was only offered the guest on the implied condition that he should eat it at the table? Or, supposing the host started the dinner with oysters and the guest found in his a pearl of great value, enough to tempt the host to raise a difficult legal question, would the pearl belong to the host or the guest? He thought that the answer would depend upon that given to the simpler one: "To whom belongs the crumbs, to the host or to the guest?"

The master proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Mackinnon for his amusing lecture.

Sir Horacewood Crawford, in seconding the motion, mentioned a case within his knowledge, where a train running into Cannon-street terminus was so long that some of the carriages in the rear extended beyond the platform. A passenger refused to get out on the ground that the railway company had contracted to carry him to Cannon-street station and that he was not yet in it. Upon the guard threatening to remove him forcibly, he said that if he did he should bring an action against the company for assault. The station-master was called and, in the result, an engine was attached and the carriage, which happened to be the last one, was detached and taken by another set of rails into the station.

## POST OFFICE.

## XMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCELS.

The Public are informed that the Christmas and New Year Parcels Mail to the United Kingdom and Countries beyond, will be closed in this Office on Friday, the 8th of November at 5 p.m. This Parcels Mail by the long-sea route via Gibraltar is due to reach London on the 14th of December. Parcels may be forwarded by the same Mail via Brindisi with an extra fee of 60 cents. Parcels as aforesaid are due to reach London on the 6th of December. The following Mail of the 22nd November is due to London via Gibraltar, until the 28th of December; via Brindisi on the 20th of December.

Parcels containing Gold or Silver must be insured for at least part of their value. All Insured Parcels must be sealed. All the seals must be of the same colour and must bear the impression of a private device. This device must be the same on each seal.

Straight, Curved, Crooked or Dotted Lines are not admissible. Buttons, Coins or Thimbles are not to be used for sealing.

The Clerks of the Post Office are forbidden to affix stamp on Letters or Parcels or to seal any article for the Public. Parcels that in the opinion of the Officer handling the same do not comply with the regulations, will not be accepted.

It is requested that Parcels be posted early.

## MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Coast Ports, s.s. Haikang.

Shanghai, s.s. Calches.

Haiphong, etc., Mathild.

Singapore, s.s. Nippon.

## MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

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## MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Kwangtung, 1st prox.

Gorman, P. Sigismund, 11th prox.

The a.s. Kwangtung, with the Siberian Mail from London on Saturday the 12th inst. is due to arrive here on Friday 1st prox.

## MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow—Per Laertos, 31st Oct., 10 a.m.

Shanghai and North China and Japan via Yokohama—Per Nippon, 31st Oct., 11 a.m.

Siberian Mail—Per Laertos, 31st Nov., 11 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki, Vietnam and Taku—Per Seattle—Maru, 31st Oct., 10 a.m.

Macao—Per Sul Tai, 31st Oct., 1.15 p.m.

Japan via Kuchinoera, Canada; Taicoo and Szantze via Victoria—Per Tallybius, 31st Oct., 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chenan, 31st Oct., 3 p.m.

Straits—Per Specia, 31st Oct., 4 p.m.

Nanchang—Per Kalgan, 31st Oct., 5 p.m.

Saigon—Per Olahas, 31st Oct., 5 p.m.

Fukhoi and Haiphong—Per Hongkong, 1st Nov., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Baiang, 1st Nov., 10 a.m.

Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per Changsha, 1st Nov., 11 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India via Calcutta—Per China, 1st Nov., 11 a.m.

Swatow—Per Tingang, 1st Nov., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sul Tai, 1st Nov., 1.15 p.m.

Philippines Islands, Yan, Maro, Friederich, Wilhelmsen, Rabaul, Herbertshof, Matupi, Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand via Delban—Per Coblenz, 2nd Nov., 8 a.m.

Holbow, and Pakhol—Per Marshall's, 2nd Nov., 8 a.m.

Straits, and India via Calcutta—Per Namang, 2nd Nov., 11 a.m.

Entavia, S. Marang and Sourabaya—Per Tijpana, 2nd Nov., 11 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per Loontang, 2nd Nov., 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sul Tai, 2nd Nov., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Lian, 2nd Nov., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Hangang, 2nd Nov., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 3rd Nov., 9 a.m.

Straits—Per Fausang, 4th Nov., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobo—Per Jelang, 5th Nov., 10 a.m.

Swatow, Aoy and Foochow—Per Hisheng, 5th Nov., 10 a.m.

Straits and India, via Calcutta—Per Dilwan, 5th Nov., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honshu, Canda, United States and South America via San Francisco (Embarcadero) 5th Nov., 11 a.m.

Arrivals from China—Afric, Estoril, Indradent, Glenlogan, Kaga Maru, Palau, Prince Lodewijk, Telemachus, Estonia, Vladivost.

London, October 25.

Arrivals from China—Atholl, Ben-

doran, Glenlogan, Kaga Maru,

Vulcan, Prince Lodewijk, Telemachus,

Estonia, Vladivost, Baron Erikson,

London, October 26.

Arrivals from China—Achilles, Benjali,

Caledonian, Invincible, Prince Alis,

Slovia, Stanor, Alevis, Trangnebar

Borilla, Baron Erikson.

London, October 27.

Arrivals from China—Afric, Estoril,

Indradent, Glenlogan,

Kaga Maru, Cydonia,

Slovia, Elizabeth, Rikmers, Ernst

Simons, Goeben, Kaga Maru, Brod-

stone, Christian Hebe.

London, October 28.

Arrival from China—Caledonian,

Invincible, Prince Alis,

Slovia, Stanor, Alevis, Trangnebar

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